

Romans 8:18-27



## GOD GATHERS HIS PEOPLE TO WORSHIP

### Christ is Risen! He is Risen Indeed!

Welcome & Announcements

Opening Prayer

Songs "Like Eagles"

### "You Are My All in All"

Confession & Forgiveness

P: Rejoicing in the resurrection, let us seek God's forgiveness, that dying to sin, we may walk in newness of life. *Silence for reflection and self-examination.* 

P: Faithful God,

P & C: we confess that we have tried to live by our own poor strength, shunning the earth-shaking power of the resurrection. We have doubted your promises. We have failed to recognize you in the poor and needy. Have mercy on us, forgive us our sin, and restore to us the joy of your salvation through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

P: Christ died to sin once for all, and now, victorious, lives to God. Our Savior has delivered us from the power of darkness and welcomed us into the realm of light. For his sake God grants us pardon and peace, the remission of all our sins.

C: Amen.

# GOD SPEAKS TO US IN HIS HOLY WORD

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# GIVE THANKS TO GOD

Song **"I Speak Jesus"** Apostles Creed Offering **\*\*** Prayers of the Church The Lord's Prayer

# GOD CALLS US TO SERVE

## Song "No Longer Slaves" Christ is Risen! He is Risen Indeed! Benediction

# ENTER TO WORSHIP – DEPART TO SERVE

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**Thank you** for joining us this Sunday morning to worship our God together! Today we continue the sermon series "A Matter of Control." **We will have fellowship time with coffee and cookies following worship.** We hope you will join us!

\*\*The offering plate will be in the narthex so please place your donations in as you enter or exit. **To GIVE ONLINE through Breeze**, go to our website <u>www.tlcplattesd.org</u>. Click on "GIVING" on our homepage and you will be directed to our online giving platform Breeze. It is a convenient, safe and simple way for our members or visitors to make automated payments through bank ACH directly or credit/debit cards. *Text-to-give (605) 741-4118*.

### April 23 General Offering: \$2940.00 Attendance: 125 Mission Fund Offering designated to Gideon's: \$1512.00

Greeters April 30: Bonnie Ringling & Dee Rasmussen
May 7: Jeff & Jackie Olsen
May 14: Melissa & Kara Johnson
May 21: Kevin & Susan Nelson
May 28: Mike & Diane Gilbertz

Ushers April 30: Mike Konechne & Derek Wollman
May 7: Confirmation students
May 14: Tom Boltjes & Ryan Lantz
May 21 & 28: Kevin Severson & Jarod Severson
Coffee/Cookie Servers
April 30: Wanda Johnson, Estelle Konechne, Dawn Konstanz
May 7: Jeanne Kott, Traci Kott, Mary Beth Kuiper
May 14: Gladys Kuipers, Carla Lantz, Erynn Meyerink
May 21: Tricia Meyerink, Alisha Nachtigal, Nicki Nelson
May 28: Allie Nelson, Paula Nelson, Susan Nelson

The **Prayer Equipping Class** will meet for the final time on Thursday, May 4 at 6:30 PM in the Fireside Room. The goals of this class are to teach people the biblical truths of prayer, to instruct them how to pray under the guidance of the Holy Spirit, and to provide training so they can practice praying with and for one another in a variety of circumstances.

Men, **please join us Saturday, May 6**<sup>th</sup> **at 7 AM** in the Fellowship Hall for our **weekly Men's Breakfast**. After eating, we will adjourn to the Fireside Room, where we will watch a video from the Authentic Manhood 33 Series. Following the video, we will break into small groups, discuss the video, and pray with and for one another.

**First Communion** will be celebrated on Sunday, May 7th, with First Communion Celebrants and their families receiving Holy Communion before the rest of the congregation.

**The last day of Sunday school is next Sunday, May 7<sup>th</sup>.** We will be celebrating with indoor and outdoor games and activities. Note that **confirmation class** *will meet* Sundays, May 7 & 14. <u>Confirmation for the 8<sup>th</sup> Graders will be held during the morning</u> worship service May 21<sup>st</sup>.

**Children's Worship Sunday**: Our next children's worship Sunday is next Sunday <u>May 7<sup>th</sup></u>. The Sunday School will be participating in the worship service through ushering, the Children's Sermon, reading Scripture, and special music. "NOISY OFFERING"....The Sunday School kids will be taking their next "noisy offering" May 7. If any other parents, grandparents or congregation members have any loose change laying around and would like to contribute, please give it to a child to put in the bucket or feel free to put it in yourselves. Thanks so much for helping our youth understand the importance of giving back to the Lord for all we do receive. Board of Ed – Caitlin, Carla, Karis

The Trinity Lutheran Church is planning a special day for our High School Graduates next **Sunday, May 14th at our 9:30 a.m.** morning worship service. The graduates will receive a quilt made by the ladies of the congregation to congratulate them.

We are looking for items to update the nursery. Needed are 2 rocking chairs, a pack n play or swing, a small bookshelf and shelves with bins.

Please email **tlcplattesd@gmail.com** submitted photos for the church directory ASAP.

Platte Community Student Ministry Upcoming Teaching Topics:

- May 3 JH Party (last night) Heath Feiok speaking at SH
- May 10 Senior Night (last night)

**National Day of Prayer-** Thursday May 4<sup>th</sup> please join us as we gather for **PRAYER**. We will launch at 6:30AM and at 5:15PM for times of directed prayer which will extend for about 45 minutes each. Join us at Calvary Baptist Church (across from the Yellow Rose Areana) for the Platte Community National Day of Prayer Gatherings. We hope you are able to attend.

The **Belated Blue Service** is an opportunity to come together to honor those we've lost, find comfort and peace, and move through our grief. It's a reminder that we're not alone and that there is a community of people who understand what we're going through. Join us on May 15th at 7:00 p.m. at Olive Presbyterian as we come together in the spirit of the same type of worship service usually planned at Christmas. Let's support each other and find spiritual healing, comfort, rest, and peace. The Vine's Bountiful Table's next meal will be May 11, 2023. The Menu will be <u>Chicken Lasagna</u>. Sign up sheet is in the foyer or Call Norma 605 680 1691. Sign up deadline is **May 7**, 2023. Invite a friend to come!

The next **Missouri Valley T.E.C. #21** weekend is being planned for June 2-4 at Trinity Lutheran Church. T.E.C. - Teens Encounter Christ is a nondenominational three-day spiritual retreat for teenagers; an encounter of a lifetime. High school youth who are currently in the 9th grade thru 12th grade are eligible to attend. During the three days of the weekend, talks are given by youth team members and pastors. The talks are personal witnesses of struggles these teens have faced and how God has worked in and through their lives. There are times of worship, singing, playing, and reflection, all bound together in a fun, Christian atmosphere. We would like to extend an invitation to you to look in any part of the weekend. Please contact Missouri Valley T.E.C. Convener Shawn Wynia at (605)680-2244 or if you are interested or sign up at www.movalleytec.org

Helping Hands Community Pantry board would like to say **thank you** to all those who contribute to the work of the pantry whether it is monetary support or food delivered to blue totes at the churches or to the pantry. We are grateful. In the past year we have been able to serve families who experience food insecurity in a variety of ways. They include the Back Pack program in coordination with Platte School District, "Kindness Boxes" delivered in both Platte and Geddes and the constituents we serve when they come to the pantry to help with their food needs. Thank you for blessing us as we bless others.

# PRAYER PRAISES AND CONCERNS

#### Those in nursing and assisted living homes or home-bound:

Mary Lee Erickson, Mike Erickson, Laura Johnson, Richard Johnson, Arnie Larson, LaDene Nelson, Maylou Stanforth

#### Please pray for:

- Praise God Tammy Darling's four-year-old granddaughter, Taylor Cole, is responding well to her new medication and is experiencing relief from her seizures. Please continue to pray for her to grow stronger and healthier and for her and her family to know God's blessings each day.
- Please keep Alison Dykstra's sister, Julie Pepper, her husband, Matt, and their extended family in your prayers as Julie continues her 3rd round of chemo for ovarian cancer. Thank God Julie has experienced very few side effects from the chemo. Pray her appetite would remain good, that she could sleep well, that she could be healed of her sinus infection, and that she and all her loved ones would know the Lord's peace that surpasses all understanding.
- Please keep Jerry Dykstra's brother-in-law, Rod Berg, in your prayers along with his wife, Vicki, and all their loved ones as he undergoes high-dose Prednisone infusions to treat lesions in his brain. Pray the Research Study he is in would be able to rightly diagnose the disease and prescribe the right course of treatment. Pray the Lord's hand of healing would be upon him, and that Rod would quickly recover from and soon be completely free of the lesions. Pray God's hand of provision, protection, and strength would soon see Rod & his loved ones through this trial.
- Praise God Moe Johnson is recovering well from his surgery March 15th. Pray God would sovereignly eradicate any cancer from Moe's body, would relieve the numbness in his lower lip, left cheek, and left ear, and would take away his dizziness when he stands up.
- Please continue to pray for Pastor Mike De Jager of the First Reformed Church in Platte. Please pray for the Lord to heal his spine & stabilize his neck, especially where it attaches to the brain stem. Pray for the Lord to heal him quickly & completely & for Mike to be blessed with many years of active life ahead of him. Pray Mike, his wife, and his entire family would know the Lord's comfort, love, strength, and peace as they go through this trial.
- Please also pray for those in the U.S., whose lives have been devastated by tornadoes, floods, blizzards, and other natural disasters. Pray they would know the Lord's comfort, love, & presence, & would feel His love in a tangible way as the Church reaches out to touch their lives.

### Like Eagles

O my soul, Do you not know? Have you not heard? It's been told from the beginning. The Lord, your God, is on your side.

O my soul, don't be afraid, Hope in the Lord, by His righteousness and power He will strengthen, He will guide.

*Chorus:* And I will soar on wings like eagles, Held by the hand of God, I will run and not grow tired, When on His name I call, For the Lord is never weary, His ways are beyond my thoughts, I will trust in Him with all my heart. *(Repeat all)* 

I will rest upon His promise, Patiently I'll wait.

Chorus

I will trust in Him with all my heart. I will rest upon His promise, Patiently I'll wait.

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### <u>You Are My All in All</u>

You are my strength when I am weak, You are the Treasure that I seek, You are my All in All. Seeking You as a precious jewel, Lord, to give up I'd be a fool, You are my All in All!

#### Chorus:

Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is Your name, Jesus, Lamb of God, worthy is Your name.

Taking my sin, my cross, my shame, Rising again I bless Your name, You are my All in All. When I fall down, You pick me up, When I am dry, You fill my cup. You are my All in All!

### Chorus

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#### I Speak Jesus

I just want to speak the Name of Jesus over ev'ry heart and ev'ry mind 'Cause I know there is peace within Your presence, I speak Jesus I just want to speak the Name of Jesus til ev'ry dark addiction starts to break. Declaring there is hope and there is freedom, I speak Jesus

*Chorus:* 'Cause Your Name is power, Your Name is healing, Your Name is life, Break ev'ry stronghold, Shine through the shadows, Burn like a fire

I just want to speak the Name of Jesus over fear and all anxiety To ev'ry soul held captive by depression, I speak Jesus

#### Chorus

Shout Jesus from the mountains, Jesus in the streets, Jesus in the darkness over ev'ry enemy, Jesus for my fam'ly, I speak the holy Name Jesus (x2)

Your Name is power, Your Name is healing, Your Name is life, Break ev'ry stronghold, Shine through the shadows, Burn like a fire (x2)

I just want to speak the Name of Jesus over ev'ry heart and ev'ry mind 'Cause I know there is peace within Your presence, I speak Jesus

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#### No Longer Slaves

You unravel me, with a melody; You surround me with a song Of deliverance, from my enemies; Till all my fears have gone

*Chorus:* I'm no longer a slave to fear. I am a child of God I'm no longer a slave to fear. I am a child of God

From my mother's womb; You have chosen me Love has called my name; I've been born again, into your family Your blood flows through my veins

#### Chorus x2

You split the sea so I could walk right through it My fears are drowned in perfect love You rescued me so could I stand and sing. I am child of God.

You split the sea so I could walk right through it You drowned my fears in perfect love You rescued me so I could stand and sing I am a child of God. I am a child of God. I am a child of God. I am a child of God.